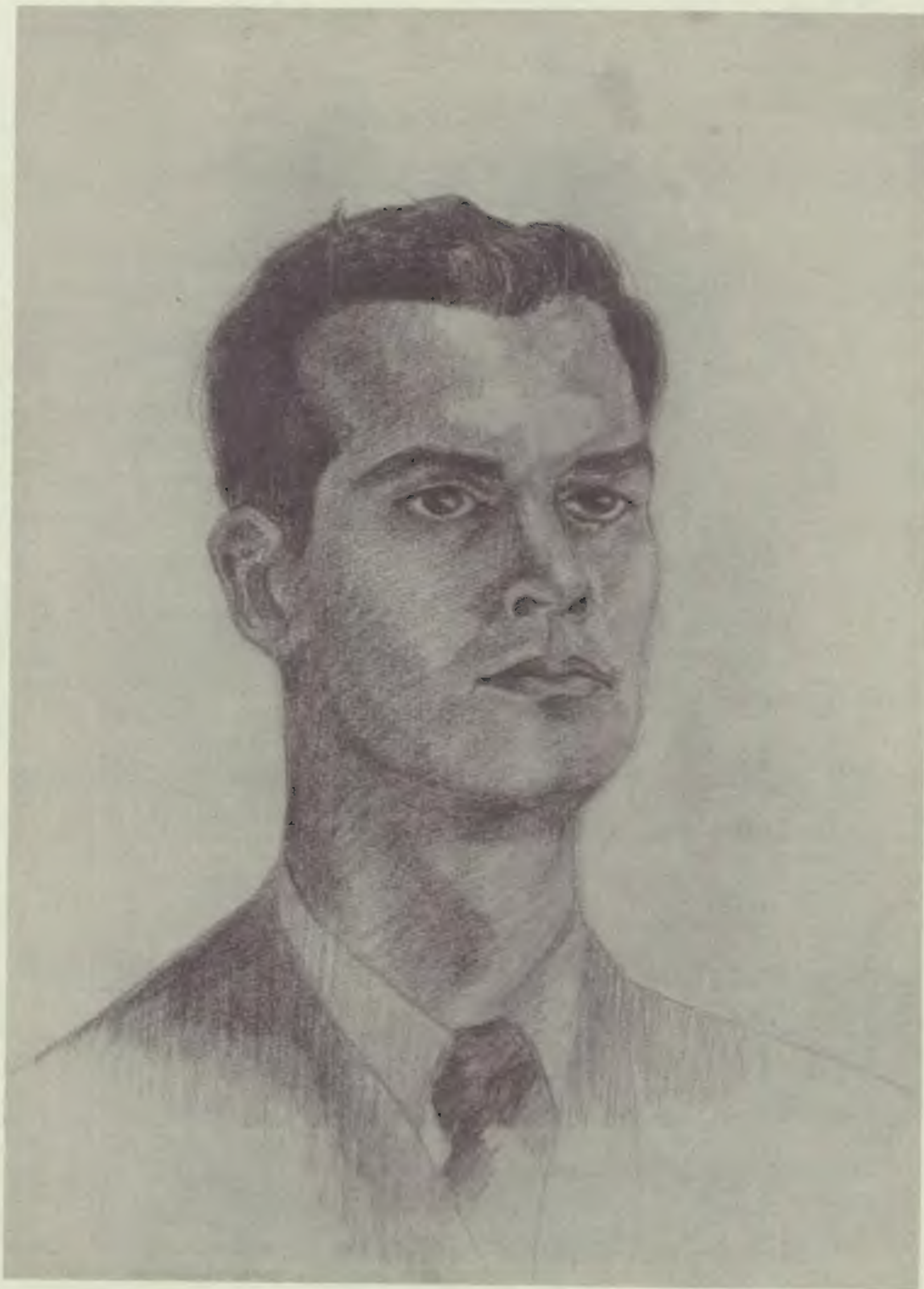


Ponca Indian

1953



We, the Seniors of 1953, dedicate this Ponca Indian to Lyle T. Couture for his loyalty and helpfulness to our Class for three years.

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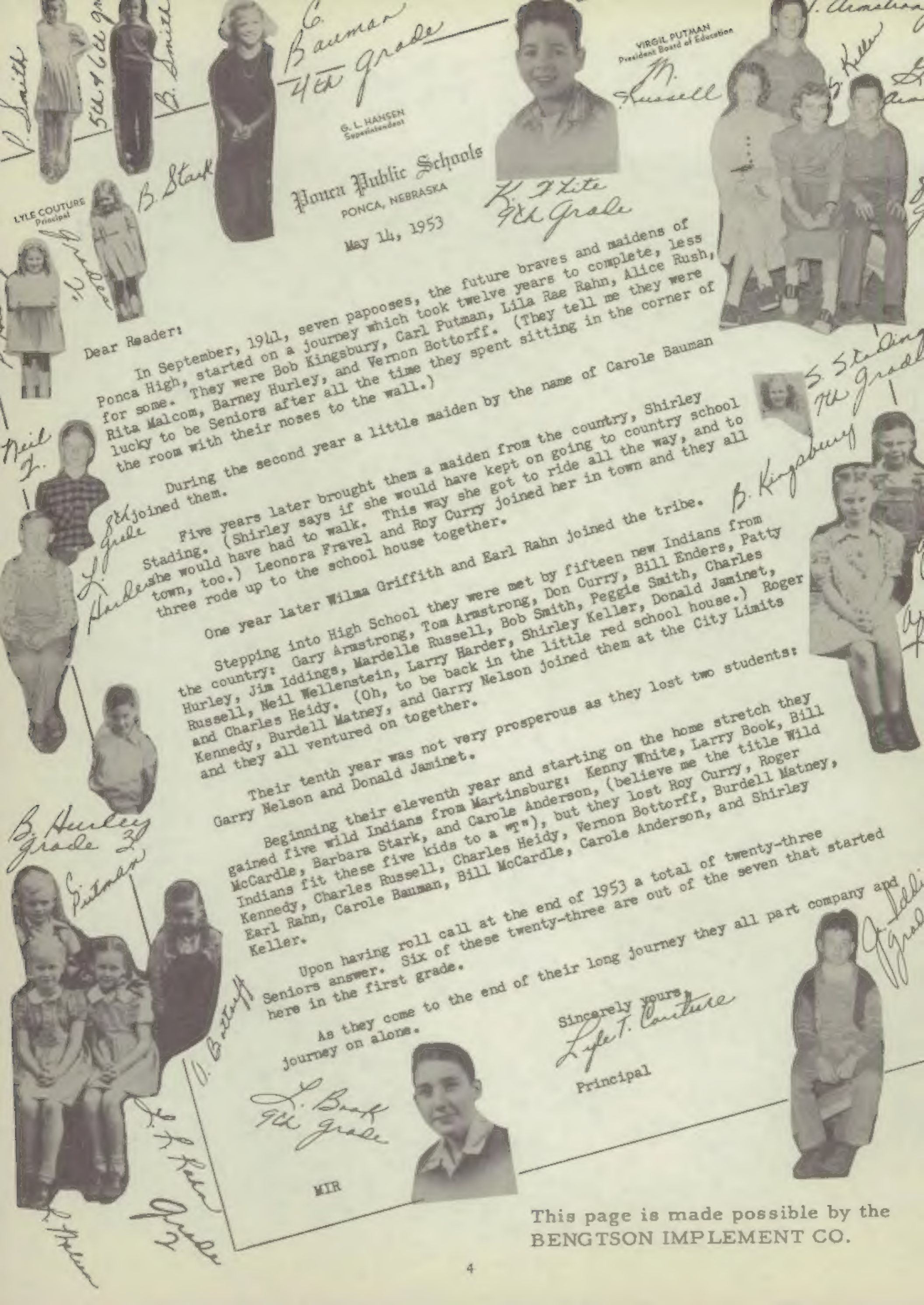
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ALL, IN THE 1953

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of our School . . .



C. Bauman
4th grade

G. L. HANSEN
Superintendent

Ponca Public Schools
PONCA, NEBRASKA

May 14, 1953

VIRGIL PUTMAN
President Board of Education

M. Russell

K. White
9th grade

S. Stading
7th grade

B. Kingsbury

Dear Reader:

In September, 1941, seven papooses, the future braves and maidens of Ponca High, started on a journey which took twelve years to complete, less for some. They were Bob Kingsbury, Carl Putman, Lila Rae Rahn, Alice Rush, Rita Malcom, Barney Hurley, and Vernon Bottorff. (They tell me they were lucky to be Seniors after all the time they spent sitting in the corner of the room with their noses to the wall.)

During the second year a little maiden by the name of Carole Bauman joined them.

Five years later brought them a maiden from the country, Shirley Stading. (Shirley says if she would have kept on going to country school she would have had to walk. This way she got to ride all the way, and to town, too.) Leonora Fravel and Roy Curry joined her in town and they all three rode up to the school house together.

One year later Wilma Griffith and Earl Rahn joined the tribe. Stepping into High School they were met by fifteen new Indians from the country: Gary Armstrong, Tom Armstrong, Don Curry, Bill Enders, Patty Hurley, Jim Iddings, Mardelle Russell, Bob Smith, Peggie Smith, Charles Russell, Neil Wellenstein, Larry Harder, Shirley Keller, Donald Jaminet, and Charles Heidy. (Oh, to be back in the little red school house.) Roger Kennedy, Burdell Matney, and Garry Nelson joined them at the City Limits and they all ventured on together.

Their tenth year was not very prosperous as they lost two students: Garry Nelson and Donald Jaminet.

Beginning their eleventh year and starting on the home stretch they gained five wild Indians from Martinsburg: Kenny White, Larry Book, Bill McCardle, Barbara Stark, and Carole Anderson, (believe me the title Wild Indians fit these five kids to a T), but they lost Roy Curry, Roger Kennedy, Charles Russell, Charles Heidy, Vernon Bottorff, Burdell Matney, Earl Rahn, Carole Bauman, Bill McCardle, Carole Anderson, and Shirley Keller.

Upon having roll call at the end of 1953 a total of twenty-three Seniors answer. Six of these twenty-three are out of the seven that started here in the first grade.

As they come to the end of their long journey they all part company and journey on alone.

Sincerely yours,
Lyle T. Couture
Principal

L. Book
9th grade

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SPRING



The Elopement of Potato Pete and Olive Onion

In the Spring a Young Man's Turns



GARY ARMSTRONG
"Suz"

"He's little and he's wise; he's a terror for his size."
General Course
Boxing 1,2; Basketball 1.



TOM ARMSTRONG
"Casey"

"One who loves to argue."
General Course
Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Boxing 1,2,3,4; Letter Club 3; Class Officer 2,3,4; Co-editor, Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3.



LARRY BOOK
"Swoop"

"It took a genius or a moron to lead this class-- just call me moron."
General Course
Basketball 3,4; Football 3,4; Letter Club 3; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; Homecoming Attendant 4.



DON CURRY
"Steer"

"A would-be ladies' man."
General Course
Basketball 1,2,3,4; Football 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3,4; Letter Club 2,3; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Homecoming King 4.



BILL ENDERS
"Fenders"

"He says little, but thinks a lot."
General Course
Baseball 1.



LEONORA FRAVEL
"Leo"

"Happy am I, from care I'm free; why aren't they all as contented as me."
Commercial Course
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 2,3; Girls' Glee 2,3; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4.



LARRY HARDER
"Lyle"

"Just because I don't tell everything I know, doesn't mean I don't know it."
Commercial Course
Class Officer 1,4; Tomahawk 4; Associate Editor, Ponca Indian 4.



WILMA GRIFFITH
"Griff"

"Modest and quiet, but wait till you know her."
Commercial Course
Pep Club 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Office Helper 3,4; Tomahawk 4; Business Manager, Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" Prompter 3.

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Fancy Lightly to Thoughts of Graduation

BARNEY HURLEY

"Burp"

"He isn't so fast, but he's seen some speed."

General Course

Football 1,2; Basketball 1; Track 2,3,4; Letter Club 3; Librarian 4.

PATTY HURLEY

"Pat"

"A sunny disposition gilds the edges of life's darkest clouds."

General Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Tomahawk 4; Editor, Ponca Indian 4; Declam 3; Girls' Glee 2,3,4; Officer Helper 2,3,4.

JIM IDDINGS

"Choker"

"He's quiet, modest and peaceful--except when he's awake."

General Course

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2; Track 3,4; Letter Club 2,3; Boxing 1,2,3,4.

BOB KINGSBURY

"Kingfisher"

"I like work, it fascinates me! I can sit and look at it for hours!"

General Course

Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; Band 1,2,3,4; Letter Club 3.

RITA MALCOM

"Reet"

"An artist of no small ability."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 3; G.A.A. 1,2,3,4; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; Mixed Chorus 1,2,3; Declam 2; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4.

CARL PUTMAN

"Pat"

"An answer to a maiden's prayer--only he doesn't answer."

General Course

Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Football 3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 3,4; Boxing 1.

LILA RAE RAHN

"Rae"

"Why look for sorrow, life is a song."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 1; Co-editor, Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Girl's Glee 2,3; Girl's State 3; Homecoming Queen 4.

ALICE RUSH

"L. S."

"Eat, drink and be merry; for tomorrow we diet."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; "High School Mystery" 3; Girls' Glee 2,3.



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MARDELLE RUSSELL

"Russ"

"Never too young to learn."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 2; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Business Manager, Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Cheerleader 4; Homecoming Attendant 4.



PEGGY SMITH

"Peg"

"I'm a dreamer, aren't we all."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Class Officer 2,3,4; G.A.A. 1,2,3; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; "High School Mystery" 3; Cheerleader 4; Homecoming Attendant 4.



BOB SMITH

"Spider"

"First-Class Farmer."

General Course

Football 1,2,3,4; Basketball 1,2,3,4; Track 2,3; Letter Club 2; "High School Mystery" 3.



SHIRLEY STADING

"Shirl"

"A truly worth-while girl."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 1,2,3,4; Band 1; G.A.A. 2,3; Tomahawk 4; Ponca Indian 4; Student Council 1; Girls' Glee 1,2,3,4; Mixed Chorus 1,2.



BARBARA STARK

"Barb"

"She's little we know, but perhaps she'll grow."

Commercial Course

Pep Club 3,4; G.A.A. 3; "High School Mystery" 3; Girls' Glee 3,4.



NEIL WELLENSTEIN

"Einstein"

"Genius of them all."

General Course

Football 1; Basketball 1; "High School Mystery" 3; Office Helper 2,3; American History Award 3; Boy's State 3.



KENNETH WHITE

"Blackie"

"Sometimes I sit and think but mostly I just sit."

General Course

Football 3,4; Basketball 3,4; Track 3,4; Boxing 3,4; Homecoming Attendant 4.

Our Favorites

to the - The difficult we do today;
the impossible takes a
little longer.

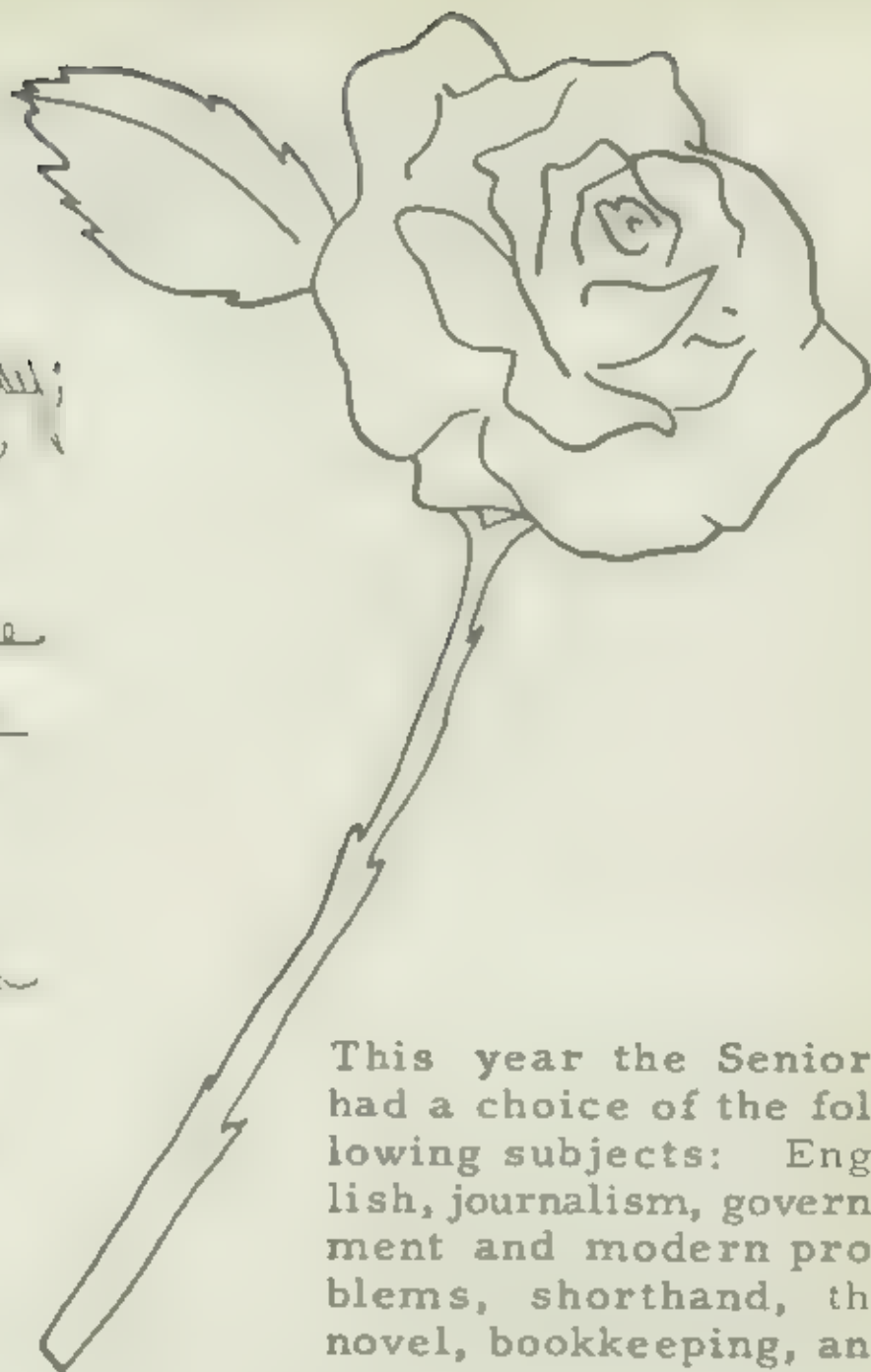
Court - Forest Green and Gold Rose
Flower - Imperial Beauty Rose
Class Officers

President - Larry Frost
Vice President - Ted Killion
Secretary - Larry Frost
Treasurer - Timmy Knight

Sponsors

Gordon Hansen

Gordon Hansen is Superintendent of Ponca Public School. He is a graduate of Wayne State Teachers' College holding an A.B. Degree. He also has attended Graduate College of University of South Dakota. He teaches industrial arts and government. He is the senior class sponsor.



This year the Seniors had a choice of the following subjects: English, journalism, government and modern problems, shorthand, the novel, bookkeeping, and mechanical drawing.

Mrs. Ruth Jones

Mrs. Jones is a graduate of Wayne State Teachers' College holding an A.B. Degree. She majored in English. Her minors are math, history, and political science. She received her B.A. from Wayne State Teachers' College. She is now working for her M.A. at Long Beach State College. Her major is in education. She teaches English and mathematics and is the senior co-sponsor and co-sponsor of the Student Council.



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Balloon Dance

Arlene Backman-
Bob Smith

Barbara Pape-Kenny White

Lila Rae Rahn-Lyle
Kemper

One of the Occasions We Will Always Remember

LITTLE DIPPER

(Fruit Cocktail)

WISHING STARS --- Kenneth White
The Little Dipper

ZODIAC SPECIAL

(Meat)

HOLIDAY IN STARDOM - Reinhold Heil
The Big Dipper

PEAS VENUS STYLE
FLEECY CLOUDS

(Potatoes)

VOCAL DUET - Shirley Lowe
Joanne Saxon

NORTHERN LIGHTS

(Tomatoes)

HITCH YOUR WAGON TO A STAR ---- Mr. Hansen
Lord Saturn

FULL MOON SALAD

(Lettuce and Peach)

PIANO DUET --- Shirley and Rita
SHOOTING STARS --- Larry Book
Flying Comet

HALF MOON AND STAR DUST

(Crescent Roll and Butter)

THE MILKY WAY --- Peggie Smith
Lady in the Moon

MILKY WAY AND FLOATING CLOUD

(Ice-cream--Angel Food Cake)

TRUMPET SOLO --- Bob Kingsbury
THE WORLD IS WAITING FOR THE SUNRISE-----

BIG DIPPER

(Coffee or Milk)

Barbara Pape
Little Sunbeam

Junior Senior Banquet and Prom

The Theme-Hitch Your wagon to a Star



Neil Wellenstein and Lila Rae
Rahn



Mr. Cooper playing with orchestra



Russ, Rae, Barb, Norma and Alice

Lila Rae Rahn and Neil Wellenstein were chosen to go to Girl and Boy State at Lincoln, the state capital, by the teachers of Ponca High and the businessmen of downtown Ponca. Qualities which were considered by the judges before they chose the girl and boy to attend Girl and Boy State, were personality, leadership, grades, attendance and punctuality in school; their conduct in school as well as downtown and in the eyes of the public. Alternates which were chosen were Rita Malcom, Patty Hurley and Carl Putman.

The purpose of Girl and Boy State is to teach the pupils more about their state government. Neil and Rae were required to make several speeches to their sponsoring organizations telling of their activities at Girl and Boy State. This activity is annually sponsored by the American Legion and the American Legion Auxiliary. This year the Women's Club also helped send our Girl and Boy Staters to Lincoln.

Girl and Boy State

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Our Spirited Group



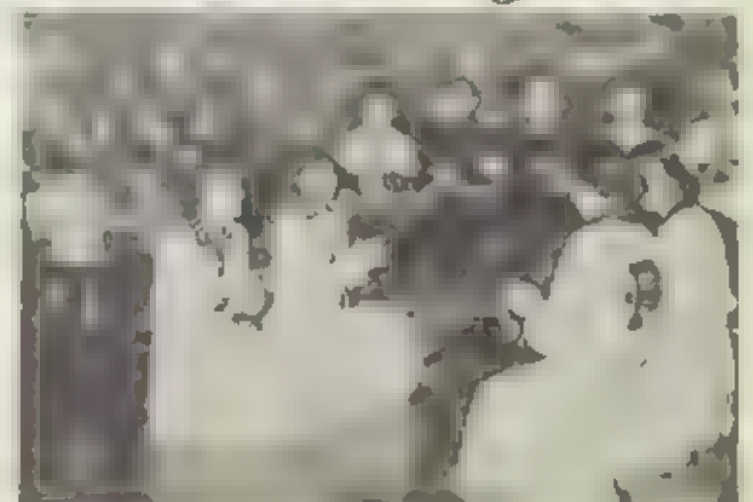
Patty Hurley, Treasurer; Lila Rae Rahn, President; Peggie Smith, Secretary.



The title "Indianettes" was adopted by our pep club on December 10, 1952. There is a total of 32 members. We, Indianettes, in the pep club agreed on white sweat shirts and blue slacks or jeans for our outfits. The cheerleaders decided on white battle jackets, white full skirts with blue blouses and tights, and white buck shoes for their uniforms. Our pep club motto is "Do Your Job and Do It Well." The purpose of this organization shall be to support the team and to promote school spirit among ourselves, this organization, and the student body. The colors of the club are blue and white. Our club consists of all girls. Admission is voluntary. No new members shall be taken into the club after the first basketball game. The pep club dues are 25 cents a semester. Each member must have 30 points to earn a pep club letter. We are proud of our organization and do our best to serve it well. Our biggest undertaking was the feeding of the people at the Dixon County Tournament held at the Ponca High School Auditorium on January 19, 20, 22, 23. The girls in our pep club worked voluntarily in the kitchen.



P. Smith, J. Meyers, M. Russell, J. Stallbaum



J. Meyers, P. Smith, M. Russell, J. Stallbaum

Compliments of BERNARD HURLEY

Our Lawmakers Practicing and Governing



FRONT ROW, left to right: Mr. Watchorn, Lenora Fravel, reporter, Rita Malcom, County Clerk; Wilma Griffith, County Assistant Director, Barbara Stark, County Superintendent; Peggy Smith, County Judge; and Lila Rae Rain, County Surveyor. SECOND ROW: Vernon Bottomitt, County Sheriff; Bob Kingsbury, County Treasurer, Neil Wellenstein, County Supervisor, Larry Book, County Assessor; Don Catty, County Attorney; Tom Armstrong, County Veterans Service; Jim Iddings, Clerk of the District Court, and Kenneth White, County Supervisor.

The American Legion Posts held a Boy's and Girl's COUNTY GOVERNMENT DAY for 13 of Ponca High's juniors, along with 10 students from each of the other schools in Dixon County on Tuesday, April 8, 1952.

The day began, after registration, by a talk from Judge Frum of South Sioux City. Merle Kingsbury conducted most of the day's program. The entire court house was shown to all students.

Court trials were also held during the day. The day was ended with an address from Mr. R. C. Patterson, Department Adjutant of the American Legion.



Left to right: Patty Hurley; Lovd Maskell; Jeanene Stallbaum, Wayne Malcom, Mrs. Jones, co-sponsor; Bob Kingsbury; Mary Armstrong, Pat Davey; and Darlene Watchorn. Absent from picture, Mrs. Kelly, co-sponsor.

The STUDENT COUNCIL was elected at the beginning of the second semester. Two members from each class were elected. Two members from each class were elected. The duties of the student council are to plan school activities and help in the governing of the student body.

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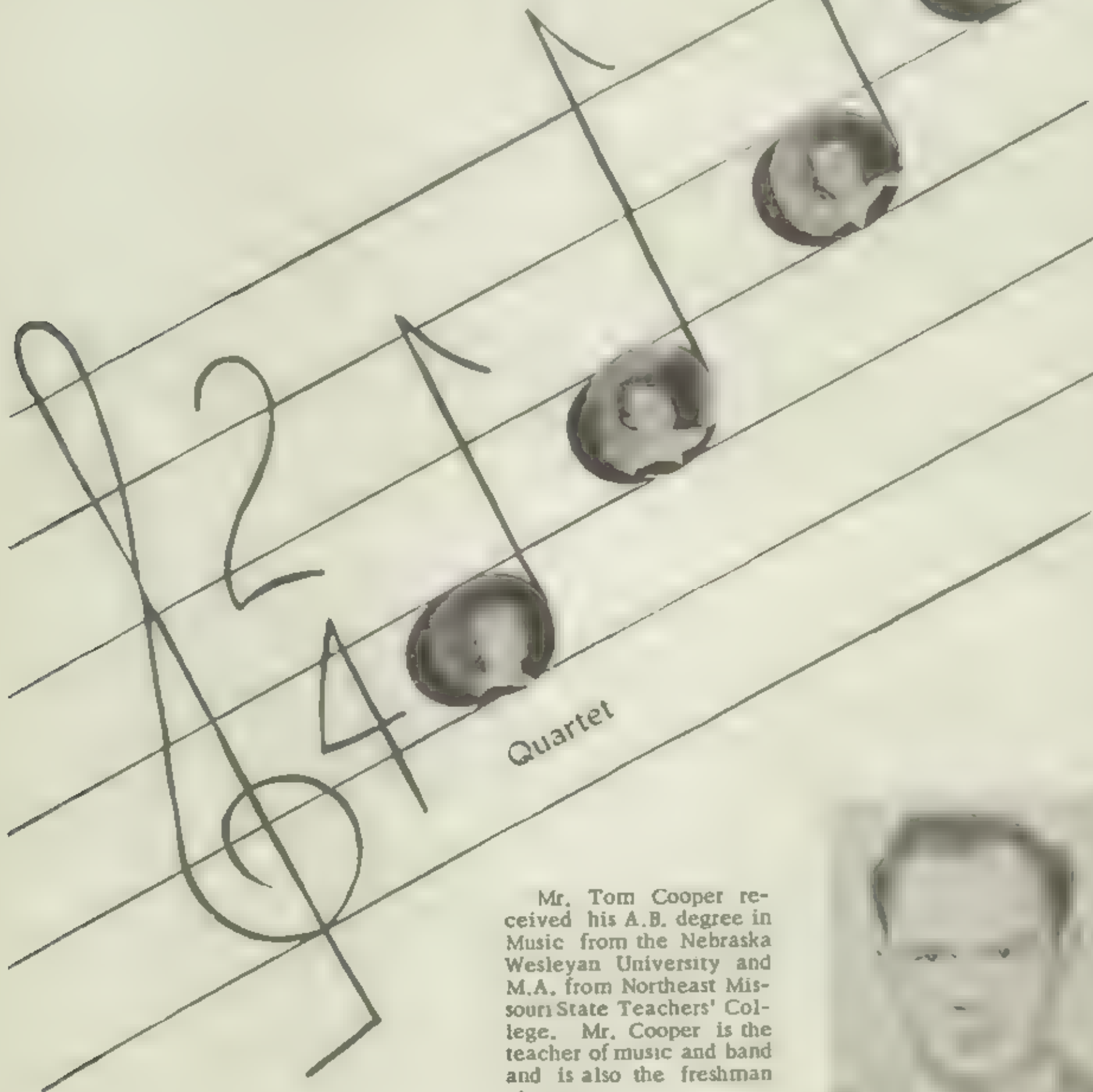
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Our Canaries

The Glee Club consists of twenty-one members who were chosen by try-outs by Mr. Cooper. The Club meets every Monday, Wednesday, and Friday. They held a concert of Christmas and popular numbers December 22, 1952. The Club also participated in the Music Festival which was held at Emerson, March 27 and the Music Contest which was held at Wayne, April 16-18. Special groups were chosen from the Glee to sing in the quartet. Jeanene Stallbaum was chosen as soloist. The Trio consists of Maxine Bell, Yvonne Curry, and Velma Bergerson.

Left to right, BACK ROW: Lila Rae Rahn, Joy Meyers, Rita Malcom, Shirley Stading, Jeanene Stallbaum, Maxine Knoop, Janice Butler, Patty Hurley. SECOND ROW: Yvonne Curry, Velma Bergerson, Carol Olson, Mona Polkinghorn, Norma Bergerson, LaRae Schwiesow, Nancy Curry. FRONT ROW: Connie Bauman, Sally Lowe, Jean Wente, Mary Armstrong, Phyllis Wellenstein, Mary Wingert, and Barbara Stark.



Mr. Tom Cooper received his A.B. degree in Music from the Nebraska Wesleyan University and M.A. from Northeast Missouri State Teachers' College. Mr. Cooper is the teacher of music and band and is also the freshman class sponsor.



Compliments of JOSTEN'S, Class Rings and year books.

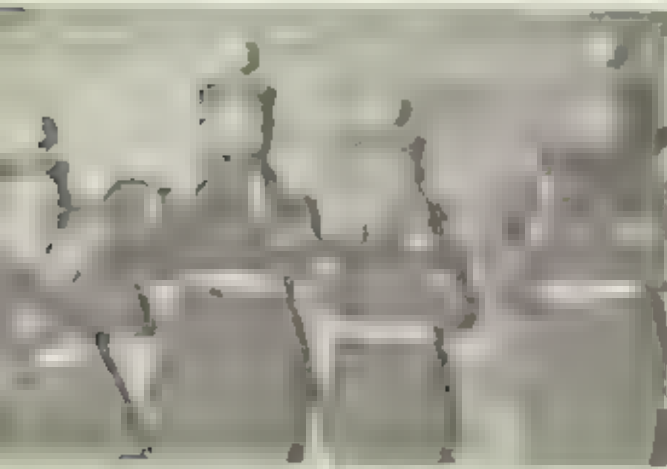
Our Musical-Minded Groups



Left to Right: First Band, CLARINETS: C. Tamber, B. Curry, D. Wat horn, M. McCuen, J. McQuillen, N. Curry, R. Kingsbury, V. Goodell, S. Dahlman. DRUMS: M. Goodell, L. Maske, I. M. Bell, D. Curry. SAXOPHONES: J. Putman (standing), C. Armstrong (standing), H. Stark (seated). BASS: J. Olson. FRENCH HORNS: J. Putman, K. Olson, F. Fraver. FLUTE: Y. Curry. TROMBONES: J. Pearson, C. Stark, P. Enders, (standing Back row). CORNETS: L. Peterson, R. Curry, B. Kingsbury, J. Dunn, D. Harder, J. Eversole, G. Olson. MAJORITTES: C. Olson - V. Bergerson.

President--Yvonne Curry

Vice President--Bob Kingsbury.



Brass Quartet, left to right: J. Pearson, R. Curry, L. Peterson, C. Stark.

A point system has been set up to enable band students to earn a letter. 1250 points are required to earn a letter. Points are earned as follows: 10 points for attending practice, 30 points for public performance and minus 30 for absence.



Trumpet Trio, left to right: R. Curry, B. Kingsbury, L. Peterson.



Trombone Trio, left to right: J. Pearson, C. Stark, P. Enders.

Beginning Band, left to right: CLARINETS: B. Chapplear, C. Mathieson, B. Lee. FLUTES: M. Bossman, C. Sheehan. TRUMPETS: D. Enders, J. Bauman, T. Eversole. FRENCH HORNS: M. Harder, K. Olson J. Putman. TROMBONES: P. Enders. DRUMS: M. Goodell, C. Mahler, D. Curry. BARITONE: L. Campbell. BASS: D. Sheiffer. SAXOPHONES: M. McQuillen.

Secretary--Carol Olson.



Clarinet Quartet, left to right: V. Goodell, N. Curry, D. Kingsbury, S. Dahlman.

Librarians--Larry Peterson and Carol Olson.



Assistant Director--Jerry Pearson.

Compliments of C. M. KINGSBURY, Lawyer and Bonded Abstractor.
Ponca, Nebraska

We Work

Home Economics

Mechanical Drawing

Modern History

General Math

Typing II

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Our Stars of Basketball

Left to Right: Larry Book, Don Curry, Bob Smith, Jim Dunn, Bob Kingsbury, Jon Olson, Loyd Maskell, Merle Bird, Carl Putman, Rene Kennedy.



INDIAN'S RECORD

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Ponca 36	Allen 40



TOP ROW: Roger Curry, Charles Stark, Wayne Malcom, Francis Adams, Merle Malcom, Bob Saxon, Jay Bauman. MIDDLE ROW: George Greschke, Don Pack, Carl Putman, Merle Bird, Jim Dunn, Arnold Johnson. FRONT ROW: Bob Smith, Loyd Maskell, Bob Kingsbury, Rene Kennedy, Jon Olson, Don Curry, Larry Book.

Taken during the Newcastle--Ponca game, at Ponca.



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What's the frown for,
Couture



Ah! Men



Buddy, buddy



A swell guy



A good looking couple



How dumb can a guy
get?



There's music in the
air



Aren't we cute?



Lovers



Our Supt. and his
better half



Too bad Jim isn't here, huh,
girls?



A new romance in the
air?

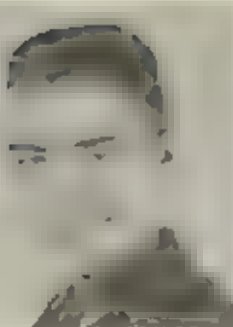
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FALL





Jeanene Stallbaum
President



Pat Rush
Vice-President



Larry Lowe



Yvonne Curry



Merle Bird
Secretary



Pat Davey
Treasurer



Velma Bergerson



Maxine Beith

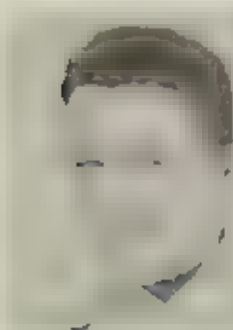
OUR JUNIORS WHO ARE
TRAMPING CLOSE UPON THE
HEELS OF THE SWIFT SENIORS



Joy Meyers



Merle Malcom



Evan Backman



David Harder



Jeanette Taubert



Mona Polkinghorn



Doyal Mabeus



Earl Rahn



George Greschke



Jon Olson



Bonnie Fravel



Sally Lowe

The Cheerleaders, chosen from the Junior Class, were Jeanene Stallbaum and Joy Meyers. The boys that were out for either football or basketball were Pat Rush, Merle Bird, Evan Backman, Merle Malcom, Francis Adams, George Greschke, and Jon Olson. The Juniors put on the play, "Aaron Slick from Punkin Crick." The main Characters were Merle Bird, Maxine Beith, Yvonne Curry, George Greschke, Jeanene Stallbaum, Jon Olson and Joy Meyers. Velma Bergerson was the head Majorette. Jon Olson, Yvonne Curry, and David Harder play in our band. The subjects required for the Junior Class are the following: American History and English 3. Electives are the following: Chemistry, Typing 1 and 2, Shorthand 1 and 2, Mechanical Drawing, Shop 1, Music and Athletics.



Stanley Leigh



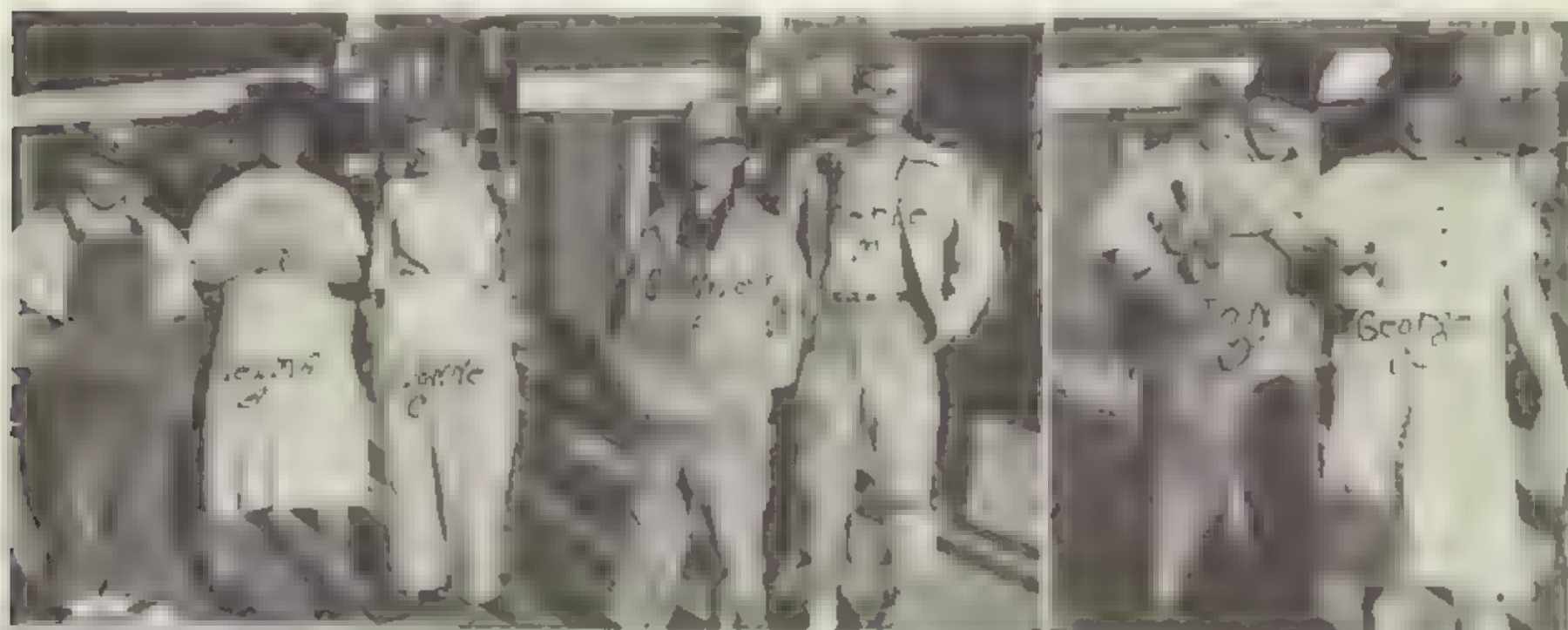
Francis Adams

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Our Juniors Who Are Cramping Close Upon the Heels of the Swift Seniors.



"Aaron Slick from Pumpkin Creek," was presented by the junior class November 21, 1962. The play, directed by Mr. Couture, was a farce in which a farmer outwitted a city slicker. The part of Aaron Slick was played by Merle Bird. Maxine Berth was Rose Berry. Joy Meyers played the part of the Girl in Red; Jeanene Stallbaum--Gradys Mae, Yvonne Curry--Sis Riggs; George Greschke--Mr. Merridew; and Jon Olson--Clarence.



On November 12 many strange identities appeared at Ponca High School. Among them were Mr. and Mrs. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. Townsend, Fred Anderson, Ma and Pa Kettle and Little Pot Kettle. On the afternoon of their slouch day the junior class visited the Sioux City Air Base. They returned to Ponca on the Air Force bus after spending an enjoyable and instructive afternoon.

Lyle T. Couture was graduated from Morningside College with an A.B. degree. Mr. Couture is Principal of Ponca High School and also teaches science and Freshman English. He is the sponsor of the junior class and directed their play.

Compliments of
PETERSON'S COFFEE SHOP.



Our Sophomore Family



Gary Carnell
President



Bill Biggerstaff
Vice-President



Phyllis Hall
Secretary



Carol Olson
Treasurer



Tom Iddings



Dale Jones



Roger Curry



Charles Stark



Bonnie Backman



Betty Sherman



Loyd Maskell



Rene Kennedy



Darrell Heald



Wilfred Kamrath



Helen Wente



Norma Bergerson

COPY--Roger Curry, Loyd Maskell and Rene Kennedy were out for both football and basketball. Charles Stark and Bob Saxon were out for basketball. Tom Iddings and Dale Jones were out for football. Carol Olson was a Major-ette. Carol Olson, Roger Curry, Charles Stark, Loyd Maskell, and Darlene Watchorn play in our band. English 2, Typing 1, Home Economics, World History, Biology, Music and Athletics are courses offered for this group. Carol Olson is also in the Girls' Glee Club.



Orville Miller



Myron Northrup



Darlene Watchorn



Clair Kamrath



Bob Saxon



Jean Hall

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HALLOWEEN CARNIVAL

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Junior float--Received second prize

HALLOWESTA PARADE

A Hallowesta Parade was held this year for the third time in the history of Ponca Public School. The grade school students paraded in costume. The costumes were so hard to judge that each grade student coming to the carnival in costume was given a favor and also a ticket on a flash camera. Tommy Kingsbury was the lucky winner.



Sophomore float--Received third prize

HALLOWESTA CARNIVAL

A Carnival was held this year for the second time.

The gaily decorated booths attracted the people to the basketball throw, cakewalk, ringtoss, shooting, dart throw, spinner, fish pond, and baseball throw.

Each class from Kindergarten through Seniors operated a stand. Each high school grade gave a doorprize.

The money taken in from these carnivals is put into new playground equipment and books for the library.

Ponca Public School hopes to make this carnival a yearly project.



Mrs. Merle Kingsbury selling chances on Band Mother's Cake.

HOMEcoming

Homecoming was held at Ponca Public School this year. A football game in the afternoon with a Homecoming dance in the evening is the program which was followed this year. For more about this year's Homecoming, turn to page 28.



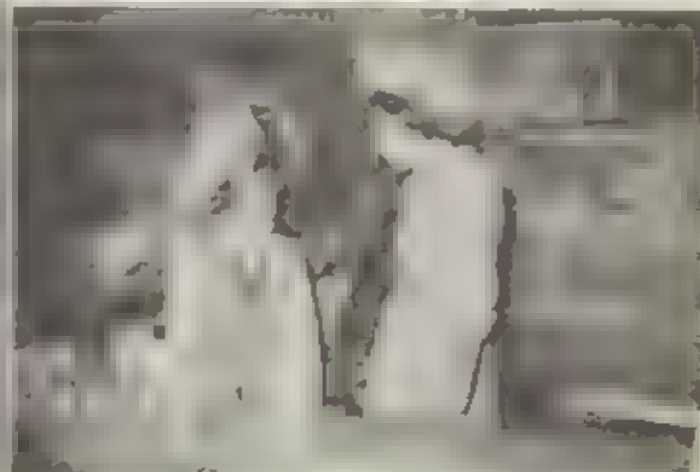
Marge McQuillen and Carol Taubert working at the 7th and 8th grade stand.



Velma Bergerson and Maxine Beath working at the Penny Pitch which is a Junior stand.



Lee Stark and Bobbie Hansen battling it out.



Mrs. Pearson and Mrs. Kingsbury, grade teachers, selling candy made by the Kindergarten, first, and second grade mothers.

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Jim Dunn
Vice President

Mary Wingert
Secretary

Phyllis Wellenstein
Treasurer

Our Freshmen

Under the expert guidance of Mr. Cooper the Freshmen of 1952-53 weathered their first year of High School. They survived Freshman Initiation very well.

Don Koeppe

Janice Butler Tom Collins Carol McIntyre

Wayne Malcom
President

Jean Wente



Charles Beith
Kathryn Haglund
Dean Rickett
(cartoon)

Their class officers, Jim Dunn, President; Wayne Malcom, Vice President; Mary Wingert, Secretary; Phyllis Wellenstein, Treasurer; lead them through their first year of social affairs and problems. They must have chosen good leaders for they had the best float in the Hallowesta parade. They also had several parties all of which were a roaring success.

Four of these "greenies" started off their first year by being on the Honor Roll. They are LaRae Schwiesow, Phyllis Wellenstein, Mary Armstrong, and Dean Rickett.



Melvin Carnell



Gary Merritt
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Marlan Piper

Connie Bauman



Jay Bauman

Mary Armstrong

LaRae Schwiesow

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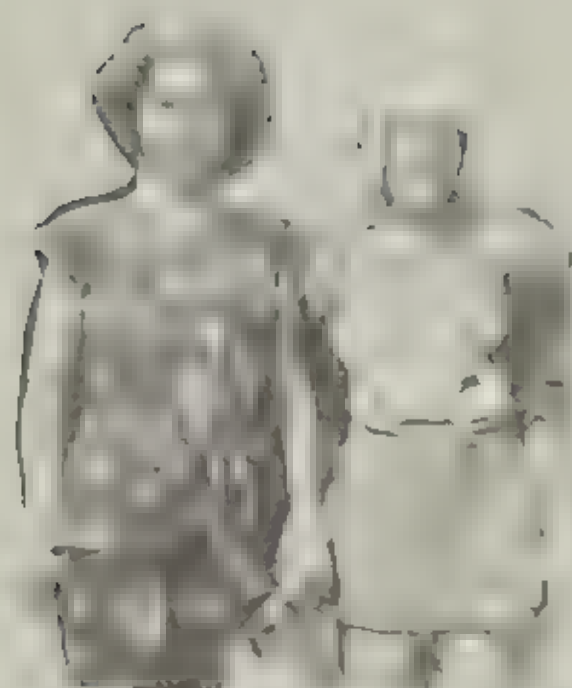
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Greenies



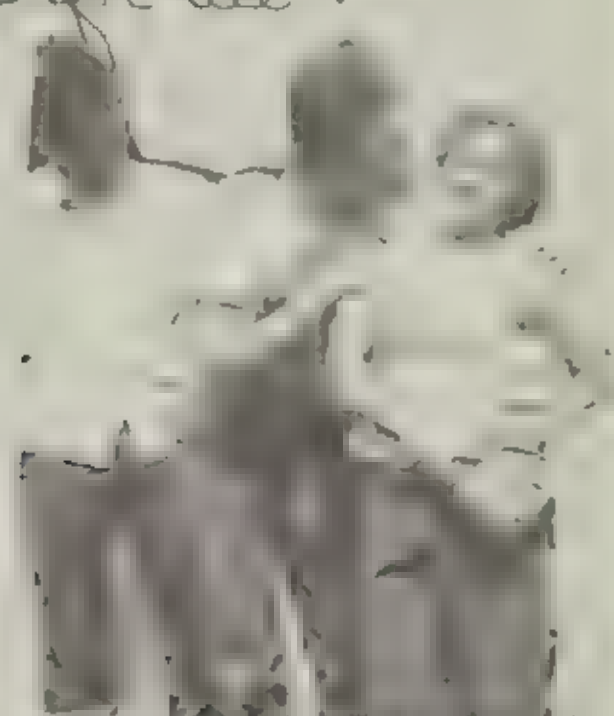
Justice for all!



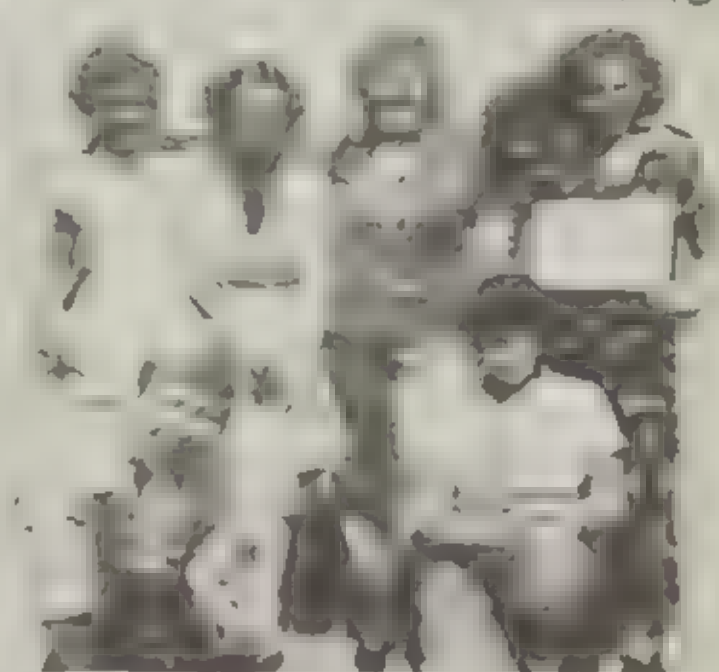
Ma Rattle and
Anall star
Cleaning the
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Hare you go boys!



Watch it Tom!



What's this?



Broke the rules

Our Senior Stars of Football.



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End
Four years



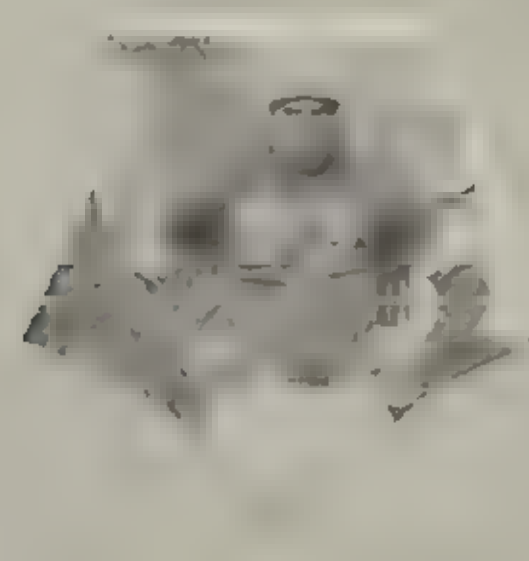
KENNETH WHITE
End
Two years



LARRY BOOK
End
Two years



BOB KINGSBURY
Half Back
Four years



BOB SMITH
Full Back
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DON CURRY
Half Back
Four years



JIM IDDINGS
Tackle
Four years



CARL PUTMAN
Half Back
Two years

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Left to right, Bottom row: Dale Jones, Rene Kennedy, Evan Backman, Tom Iddings, Loyd Maskell, Jon Olson, Larry Lowe. Second row: Merle Malcom; Merle Bird; Bob Smith; George Greschke, Dean Rickett, Charles Beito, Student Manager, Bill Biggerstaff, Coach Duane Pearson. THIRD ROW: Pat Rush, Jim Iddings, Bob Kinsbury, Roger Curry, Tom Armstrong, Larry Book, Don Curry, Jim Dunn, Kenneth White.



The Annual Father and Son Banquet, which was sponsored by the American Legion, was held March 19, 1952. Letters were awarded by Donald Watchorn, coach. Gerry Pack and Ronald Bottorff were named outstanding athletes by the American Legion. Bob Ferris, (ex-Fremont coach), now coaching at the University of Nebraska was the guest speaker. Entertainment was provided by a quartet from Midland College.



Duane Pearson was graduated from Wayne State Teachers College where he majored in physical education and industrial arts. This is Mr. Pearson's first year at Ponca High School. He teaches history and industrial arts.

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Our King and Queen



Left to Right: Reinhold Heil, Don Curry, Lila Rae Rahn, and Barbara Pape.



Left to Right: Kenny White, Mar-delle Russell, Reinhold Heil, Don Curry, Lila Rae Rahn, Barbara Pape, Peggy Smith, and Larry Book.



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KING: DON CURRY

The Queen Ascending To Her Throne.



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Left to Right: Wilma Griffith, Larry Harder, Patty Hurley, Tom Armstrong, Mardelle Russell, and Lila Rae Rahn.



The TOMAHAWK is another task which is undertaken by the studious Journalism Class. It is a monthly paper which contains the events that have happened during the month. There are about 189 subscriptions to the TOMAHAWK. Almost all High-School students have a subscription. A paper is exchanged with approximately 20 surrounding schools. The editors of the TOMAHAWK for last semester were Lila Rae Rahn and Tom Armstrong. Editors were changed in each month. During the second semester, Business Manager is Mardelle Russell.

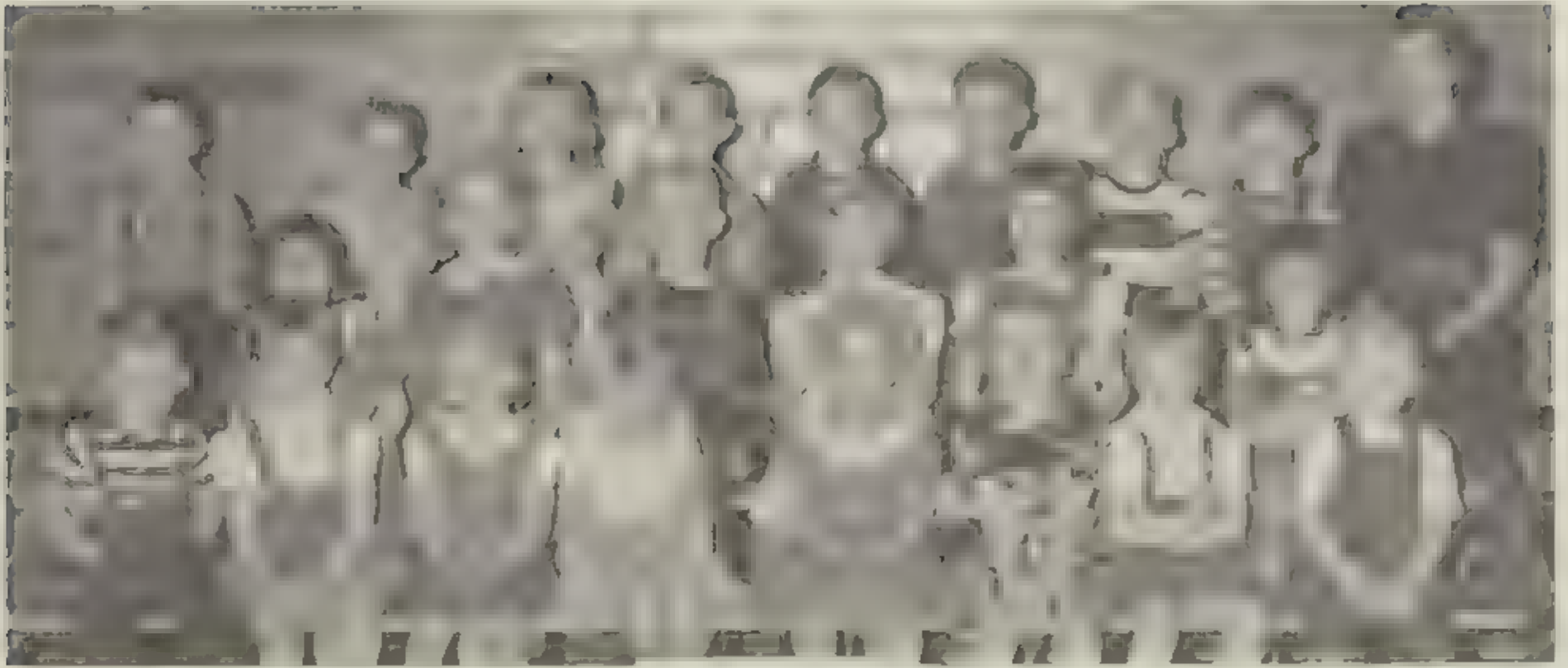
The PONCA INDIAN is an annual published yearly by the Journalism Class of Ponca High School. The first semester the class consisted of 14 students, all Seniors. The second semester two dropped out. The class is under the supervision of Mrs. Townsend. Much time and effort go into the work of publishing an annual. This is the fourth consecutive year that the PONCA INDIAN has been published. The editors of the PONCA INDIAN this year are Patty Hurley and Larry Harder. Business Manager is Wilma Griffith. An annual was published on and off in years past -- 1922, 1923, and 1924. There were no more annuals again until 1931. There was another one in 1939. The company that is publishing the annual this year is the American Year-book Company, Owatonna, Minnesota.



Left to Right Back Row: Carl Peterson, Peggy Smith, Shirley Stading, and Leonora Fravel. FRONT ROW: Lila Mae Smith, Lila Rae Rahn, Bob Kingsbury, Larry Book, and Don Curry.

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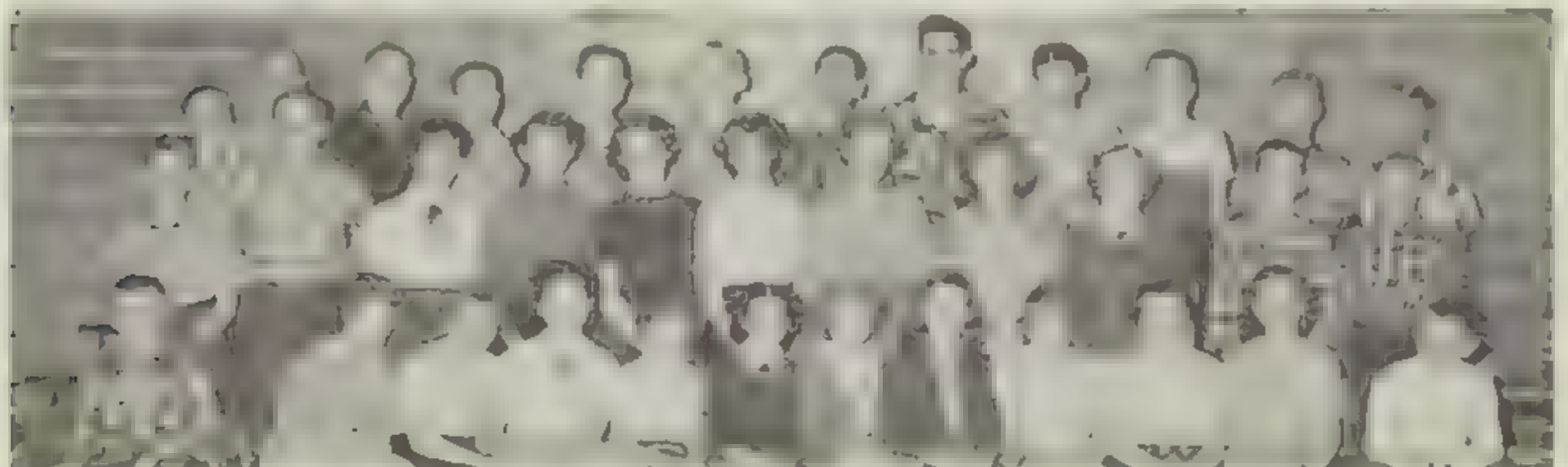
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